

About Our Attending Surgeons and Nurse Manager

Regina Baker, MD, received her medical degree and completed her General Surgery and Plastic Surgery residencies from USC's Keck School of Medicine. Dr. Baker is a member of the American Society of Maxillofacial Surgeons and has conducted research at Childrens Hospital of Los Angeles.

Reza Nabavian, MD, received his medical degree from the University of Maryland, Baltimore. He completed his General Surgery residency at the University of California San Diego and Plastic Surgery residency at the University of Southern California. Dr. Nabavian has published work on wound healing, scar management and various aesthetic surgery topics.

Wes Schooler, MD, received his medical degree, completed his General Surgery residency and a fellowship in Surgical Critical Care, Trauma, and Burns at the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill, North Carolina. He also completed a Hand Surgery fellowship at The Hand Center of San Antonio in San Antonio, Texas.

Chia Soo, MD, is an Assistant Clinical Professor, USC, Keck School of Medicine in the Division of Plastic Surgery as well as a lecturer and researcher for Weintraub Center for Reconstructive Biotechnology, UCLA. She received her undergraduate degree in Biology and her medical degree from UCLA. Following a General Surgery residency at UCLA, she completed a Plastic Surgery residency at USC.

Ron Vasquez, RN, CCRN, is the Nurse Manager and has worked at the Center since 1985. He received his Bachelor of Science in Nursing from California State University, Dominguez Hills. He has served as an Advanced Burn Life Support instructor since 1999 and lectures regularly on burn care topics.



About Our Staff

The Burn Center is staffed by a highly experienced, multi-disciplinary team of physicians, nurses, therapists, and dietitians as well as social workers and member of the clergy.

Every member of the Burn Center nursing staff has specialized training in intensive care and maintains Advanced Cardiac Life Support, Pediatric Advanced Life Support, and Advanced Burn Life Support certifications.

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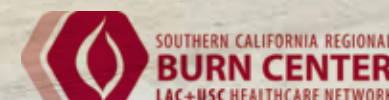
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Southern California Regional Burn Center





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The Southern California Regional Burn Center was originally established in 1958, making it the oldest dedicated burn center west of the Mississippi River.

American College of Surgeons as a Center of Burn Care Excellence, the Burn Center is the most advanced facility of its kind. It is located on the 5th floor of the LAC+USC Healthcare Network's Inpatient Tower and consists of:

- 10 acute care beds
- 10 intensive isolation care beds
- A dedicated operating room
- A dedicated physical and occupational therapy room and staff
- 24-hour Emergency Evaluation Clinic
- An Outpatient Burn Clinic.

Each year, the Burn Center provides care to:

- 340 inpatient admissions
- 1,200 visits in the 24-hour Emergency Evaluation Clinic
- 2,750 visits in the Outpatient Burn Clinic

Our Mission, Vision and Values

Mission: The Southern California Regional Burn Center is committed to providing comprehensive, compassionate, skilled evidence based burn care to every patient.

Vision: Through the coordinated expertise of the Burn Center team, in collaboration with our patients, their families and their friends, we strive to meet the physical, psychological, emotional and spiritual needs of each patient. Through education and research, we will continuously seek to improve burn prevention and burn care not only for our patients, but for the entire community.

Values: We continuously strive for excellence, dedication, individualized treatment, innovation, support and recovery in providing care to each patient.

What We Offer

Advanced Technology. We utilize cutting-edge diagnostic, clinical and surgical equipment. Our intensive care unit beds provide integrated monitoring with advanced care capabilities. Our state-of-the-art wound care unit is staffed with highly trained nurses to implement innovative care protocols. All of this is housed in a hospital with a robotic laboratory and a rooftop helipad with direct access to emergency treatment for the most critical patients.

Dedicated Services. We have 10 intensive care isolation beds, 10 acute beds, an operating room specifically for burn patients, an occupational and physical therapy room with dedicated staff, and a 24/7 emergency evaluation clinic.

Integrated Care. The severities of burn injuries can impact multiple factors in a patient's life. We strive to meet the physical, psychological, emotional and spiritual needs of each patient from the time of initial treatment through recovery and rehabilitation.

Innovation. We have been at the forefront of many advances in burn treatment that have dramatically improved patient outcomes. Through education and research, we seek to improve burn prevention and burn care, not only for our patients, but also for the entire community.

Quality Care: We have been verified by American College of Surgeons and the American Burn Association as one of four Centers of Burn Excellence in Southern California.

Specialty Provider Network. As a part of the LAC+USC Healthcare Network, patients have access to an extensive network of physician specialists. We also partner with Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center to offer long-term rehabilitation care.



Our Team

About Our Director

Warren Garner, MD, the Burn Center's director, is the only physician in the Western United States to hold Board Certifications in both Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery and Critical Care Medicine. He is also an internationally renowned expert in the treatment of wounds and the scars that result from burns, having published more than a dozen chapters on burn treatment for textbooks of surgery and over 70 scientific papers.